WHAT IS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Household Hazardous Waste is any household product which is labeled:

CAUTION DANGER
FLAMMABLE EXPLOSIVE
TOXIC WARNING
CORROSIVE EXPLOSIVE
POISON VOLATILE

or a combination of these characteristics. Look for warning or skull and crossbones on label. Use this list to identify and collect hazardous products which are no longer usable or wanted. Select a product suited for the job at hand but buy only what you can use entirely.

WHY COLLECT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

These collection days are intended to provide **Berks County** residents with a responsible way to dispose of old, unusable and unwanted hazardous products. Putting them in the trash or down the drain contributes to the pollution of our air and drinking waters.

HOW TO BRING MATERIALS TO OUR COLLECTION SITE?

- Do not mix the materials
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger containers
- Bring all materials in original containers with labels, if possible.
- If not in original labeled container, please label container used

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS



OIL PAINTS

- Turpentine
- Wood Preservatives
- Paint Thinners & Solvents
- Oil Based Paints, Varnishes and Stains



OUTDOORS

- Weed Killers
- Pesticides
- Asphalt & Driveway Sealants
- Pool Chemicals
- Herbicides & Fungicides



AUTOMOTIVE

- Antifreeze
- Gasoline
- Transmission Oil
- Motor Oil
- Automotive paints and finishes



HOUSEHOLD

- Solvents
- Disinfectants
- Rug, Oven & Drain Cleaners
- Button Batteries
- Photographic Chemicals
- Floor & Furniture Polish
- Lithium & NiCad Batteries

DO NOT BRING

- Latex Paint *
- Joint & Caulking Compound
- Organic Peroxides
- Gas Cylinders
- Explosives & Ammunition
- Radioactive Waste
- Infectious or Medical Waste
- Water based sealants
- Lead Acid Batteries
- * Allow materials to dry and discard with regular trash.

BERKS COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY

(Identification is required)

WHERE TO GO?

April 4, 2009

Exeter Township Municipal Bldg. (Rt. 422 – Exeter Township)

October 3, 2009 First Energy Stadium (RT 61 – Reading)

8:00 AM – 2:00 PM Rain or Shine



When improperly disposed of, used motor crank case oil and antifreeze can damage the environment and human health.

SOME GUIDELINES

- <u>Don't</u> pour used oil or antifreeze on the ground, down the storm sewer or down any drain.
- <u>Don't</u> burn used oil except in an EPA approved furnace.
- <u>Don't</u> mix used oil with any other liquid.

DO collect the used oil in clean, unbreakable containers with tight fitting lids.

BATTERY DROP OFF SITES:

East Penn Manufacturing Lyon Station, Pa Exide Corporation Reading, Pa.



Dispose of Your Hazardous Waste Safely!

FREE PROGRAM FOR ALL BERKS COUNTY RESIDENTS

- NO COMMERCIAL WASTE
- NO MORE THAN 200 LBS.
- NO 55 GALLON DRUMS



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For further information please call 610-478-6362 http://www.co.berks.pa.us/swa

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